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hope that we can get a bill introduced and perhaps stall the situation. At least we'll have time to work on it. I would hope that you would give me the votes to get this thing out for a hearing. We'll have people here then to explain what we're really trying to do. As you well know nothing is going to happen until we have a hearing and find out what they really want. I would certainly urge you to give me the 30 votes necessary to get this project taken care of. There would be very little opposition. There is one land owner that has had a running battle with the Game and Parks Commission. I'm sure he's going to give us problems. But even if they don't obtain this property, I think they just have to have the property that goes right through their camp grounds. I'll not bore you any longer. I certainly ask for your support to get this bill introduced. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. Chairman, I've got to ask somebody a question. I had LB 24 in before a committee this morning. Senator Mills, when you kept saying they, they, they, I couldn't follow who you were talking about. Who wanted to buy it, Senator Kahle? Senator Mills, in the committee I had that bill before that said any agency.... Do you want the Game Commission to buy this property, or what? Who is it that you're talking about?

SENATOR KAHLE: We have to give the authority to the Game and Parks Commission. I believe the money is available locally to pay for whatever. There is no budget impact on this, at least not at this time.

SENATOR BARNETT: Senator Mills, could I ask you a question on LB 24, you heard the bill?

SENATOR MILLS: Yes.

SENATOR BARNETT: Remember, that was without prior approval.

SENATOR MILLS: Yes.

SENATOR BARNETT: Is this what you're talking about on prior approval? Was this what you were referring to where you'd have to approve it by the body?

SENATOR MILLS: The way I understand that is the way the law is now, that the Game and Parks Commission may purchase, may acquire, but with prior approval of the Legislature. That is the law right now.

SENATOR BARNETT: Okay, so this is the way we would have to go about getting that done.

SENATOR MILLS: I would assume that is correct.

SENATOR BARNETT: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. In 1971 I had the bill that gives the Legislature the authority to do this. Since then the Game and Parks Commission has attempted to repeal this law. I have fought this vigor-